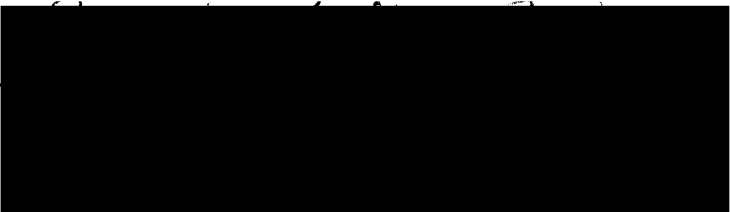


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London Paper Predicts U-2 Pilot's Release

London, Sunday, March 12 (AP)—
A London newspaper said today
that imprisoned American U-2
pilot Francis Gary Powers may
soon be released by the Soviet
Union.

The *Sunday Pictorial* said Pow-
ers had been advised by his Rus-
sian attorneys to apply for a re-
view of his prison sentence on
May 1—exactly one year after his
reconnaissance plane came down
deep inside Russia. He received a
10-year sentence on spy charges.

The *Sunday Pictorial* gave no
source for its report.

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